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ABSTRACT

This book on financial aid for college education is designed to be a guide to sources and an aid to the process of obtaining financial assistance. An introductory essay titled "The Twenty Most-Asked Questions About Financial Aid" gives a basic orientation on the issues and expert advice on how to tackle the problems of filling out forms, understanding eligibility requirements, approaching financial aid officers, and handling the many other problems that can occur. A section on government financial aid delineates nearly 350 specific sources of financial aid available from federal and state governments. A section on private financial aid offers an easy-to-use table identifying top sources of privately awarded undergraduate scholarship and loans including description of each program, its eligibility requirements and application procedures and contacts. College financial aid is detailed in another section that profiles 1,600 undergraduate institutions on their expenses, financial aid resources, and application information. A table on freshman eligibility factors and effective net costs allows easy comparison of many institutions. Finally, the volume offers six indexes: (1) non-need scholarships for freshmen; (2) athletic grants; (3) co-op programs; (4) campus military programs; (5) tuition waivers; and (6) tuition payment alternatives. (JB)

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